

CANDIDACY STATEMENT FOR IASP ELECTION 2019-21

DR. SURESH SHARMA



I, Dr. Suresh Sharma, contesting for the Member of Executive Committee, would firstly like to extend my warm greetings to everyone. I shall also take this opportunity to thank the members and mentors of IASP for trusting me to be at their service as a Treasurer. It was a truly enriching experience.

I have completed my Masters degree from IIPS, Mumbai and PhD from Rajasthan University. I have been awarded some prestigious research grants by globally well regarded organizations. These opportunities helped me understand the dynamic challenges of populations, both in hindsight and in foresight. I began my career as an established demographer at PRC, Delhi. In my close to 30 years there, my professional experience has been truly rewarding. Comprehensively including the research spheres of population studies; I have published 7 books, 70 research papers and over 200 research reports. Currently, I am the Head at PRC, Delhi and also the President of the PRC Employee Association.

I have served IASP since 2004 under various positions. IASP is a lasting legacy of the ever-valued demographers and my dedicated service to the association stems from the very same fact.

My agenda for IASP is one targeted towards an all-inclusive growth. I'd like to propose a wider membership base for IASP, and to strengthen skill development of its members. To pursue this, I plan to incorporate workshops, projects, etc in the activity plan for IASP members. I would like to streamline resources to provide PhD fellowships for emerging demographers. A revival of Regional Chapters will also be proposed. Improvement in the digitalization of IASP contents and matters will be ensured. Lastly, I plan to further improve the style and matter of "Demography India" and make it a leading journal in due time.